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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR ASYLUM

REF: STATE 162567

1. EMBASSY SEES NO BASIS FOR GRANTING ASYLUM TO MS. KHAN ON GROUNDS STATED REFTEL. ALTHOUGH CHARGES OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION ARE FREQUENTLY HEARD HERE AND SEEM TO HAVE SOME BASIS IN FACT WITH CERTAIN CATEGORIES OF GOVT EMPLOYMENT, THERE IS NO PERSECUTION (AS THE WORD IS GENERALLY UNDERSTOOD) OF THE EAST INDIAN COMMUNITY, A MAJORITY OF THE POPULATION.

2. PARTICIPATION IN THE GUYANA NATIONAL SERVICE (GNS), A PARA-MILITARY ORGANIZATION FORMED PRIMARILY TO ASSIST IN THE DEVELOP-MENT AND DEFENSE OF THE NATION AND TO INDOCTRINATE THE PARTICI-PANTS WITH THE SOCIALIST IDEOLOGY OF THE RULING PEOPLE'S NATIONAL CONGRESS, IS NOT YET COMPULSORY EXCEPT FOR STUDENTS OF THE UNIVER-SITY OF GUYANA. NATIONAL SERVICE SEEMS TO ALSO BE BECOMING COMPULSORY FOR MOST APPLICANTS FOR GOVT EMPLOYMENT.
RUMORS OR RAPE AT GNS CAMPS, THOUGH FREQUENT LACK EVIDENCE.

3. MS. KHAN COULD ENCOUNTER SOME DISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT, BUT MORE PROBABLY DUE TO HER RACE RATHER THAN HER ACTIVITIES IN THE U.S. HER SCHOOLING IN THE US MIGHT NEGATIVELY AFFECT HER EMPLOYMENT ONLY IN CERTAIN POLITICALLY SENSITIVE GOVT JOBS.
PARAGRAPH 4 REFTEL FURTHER SUPPORTS THE ARGUMENT AGAINST GRANTING
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OF ASYLUM IN THIS CASE. THE EMBASSY DOES NOT CONSIDER MS.

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KHAN'S FEAR OF PERSECUTION TO BE "WELL FOUNDED" AT THE PRESENT
TIME.

4. REGARDING THE GOG'S ?-?8)856 59 04953:5 85 :858"3, *49. #-4.,
THERE IS A SERIOUS CRIMEPROBLEM IN GUYANA. HOWEVER, A
RESIDENT OF GEORGETOWN IS PROBABLY NO MORE APT TO BE PHYSICALLY
ASSAULTED BY CRIMINAL ELEMENTS THANA RESIDENT OF CERTAIN GHETTO OR
INNER CITY AREAS OF THE UNITED STATES.
MATTHEWS

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